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again being detained, and, as before, those from the most undesirable localities were selected to wait. Of the personal effects of emigrants on the *Bretagne*, 170 packages were steamed, most of these being rolls of bedding.

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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Report from Marseilles—End of smallpox epidemic.

MARSEILLES, FRANCE, *March 26, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended March 24, 1900:

The following vessels were cleared during the week: *Koordistan*, bound for New York with a general cargo; *Persian Prince*, bound for New Orleans with a general cargo; *Glenlochy*, bound for New York with a general cargo, and *Julia R.*, bound for Pensacola in ballast. I was compelled to allow the *Persian Prince* to sail without an inspection, as I was too ill to leave my room. The smallpox epidemic is practically at an end here now, and there are only a few scattering cases remaining. There have been no other transactions worthy of mention.

Respectfully,

G. M. CORPUT,
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The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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GERMANY.

Report from Bremen.

BREMEN, GERMANY, *March 26, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the past week 1,913 emigrants were inspected at this port and 1,671 pieces of baggage were inspected and passed. There were disinfected by steam 154 pieces. The rejections were only 6, and 3 of these were for fever, of unknown cause, and 3 for severe conjunctivitis. The small number of rejections at this port can be explained by the exceptionally good physical condition of the emigrants embarking at Bremen. This I attribute, partly, to the reputation this place has long enjoyed for the severity of the medical examinations, and in consequence of this fact many emigrants of uncertain physical condition have been steered to other ports of departure. I refer, of course, to the time prior to the detail of officers of the Marine-Hospital Service at foreign ports. At present there is more or less uniformity at all the ports.

The sanitary condition of Bremen is excellent. During the past week there were reported 4 cases of scarlet fever, 5 of diphtheria, and 1 of enteric fever.

Respectfully,

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